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Asst. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 12, 2000, please amend the subject application as follows:

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